



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR
DAGUPAN CITY

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 22

Series of 2020

AN ORDER INSTITUTING CITY-WIDE MEASURES TO PREVENT THE TRANSMISSION OF ACUTE RESPIRATORY AND VIRAL DISEASES AND POTENTIAL SPREAD OF CORONA VIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 15 dated February 6, 2020 has been issued by the City Government of Dagupan creating an Inter-Departmental Task Force for the prevention, control, and management of the Corona Virus Disease 2010 (Covid-19), directing all thirty-one (31) barangays, medical facilities, hospitals, clinics, and other health-related centers, schools, colleges, and universities, terminals, and ports to institute measures and to report any information relative to the disease;

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922 declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the same Order capacitates government agencies and Local Government Units to immediately act to prevent loss of life, utilize appropriate resources to implement urgent and critical measures to contain or prevent corona virus disease (Covid-19), mitigate its effects and impact to the community, and prevent serious disruption of the functioning of the government and the community;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare, health, and safety of the public;

WHEREAS, the National Government raised the Code Alert System for the Covid-19 in the country to Code Red Sublevel 2 and thereby placing the National Capital Region in a Community Quarantine;

NOW THEREFORE, I, MARC BRIAN C. LIM, City Mayor of Dagupan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of the Philippines, do hereby declare the following:

SECTION 1. CLASS SUSPENSION AND OTHER SCHOOL RELATED ACTIVITIES.

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- a. Classes of all levels including graduate schools, public and private in the City of Dagupan are hereby suspended for the period of 16 March 2020 to 12 April 2020, subject to further issuances from the National Government, Department of Health or upon assessment by the Task Force Iwas Coronavirus 2019. *Provided*, that schools may employ mechanisms so that students can continue to fulfill their educational requirements within the said period, *Provided*, further, that families shall be responsible in ensuring their respective children to remain in their homes during the said period.
- b. School officials and administrators in all public and private schools within the City are mandated to immediately conduct a thorough sanitation and disinfection of all classroom and facilities to prevent transmission of Covid-19.
- c. All school administrators are encouraged to facilitate home school work as well as alternative mode of instructions.



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- d. School activities which draw crowds or large number of participants, including, but not limited to graduation ceremonies, JS Promenade, social nights, balls, and foundation day celebrations shall be suspended/postponed until further notice.
- e. All subsisting guidelines and regulations from the Department of Education, Commission on Higher Education, and respective public and private schools and universities shall supplement this Order on the conduct of all school personnel.

SECTION 2. SUSPENSION OF MASS GATHERINGS.

- a. As prescribed by the Department of Health Public Advisory No. 07 series of 2020, all public events, activities, and gatherings such as fiestas, reunions, trade fairs, carnivals, balikbayan affairs, concerts, fund raising events, and other public events that draw huge number of attendees shall be prohibited until further notice.
- b. The celebration of Bangus Festival 2020 shall be postponed until further notice.
- c. All religious institutions and organizations are enjoined to suspend or downscale activities and events, and if not possible, observe strict precautionary and stringent social distancing measures as prescribed by the directive of the President and the Department of Health.

SECTION 3. PRIVATE SECTOR WORK ARRANGEMENTS.

- a. Flexible work arrangement shall be encouraged in the private sector pursuant to Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease Resolution No. 11, Series of 2020 dated March 12, 2020. This shall be in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Labor and Employment and the Department of Trade and Industry to safeguard the welfare of the workers.
- b. All business establishments are enjoined to enforce preventive and safety measures e.g. close monitoring, use of thermal scanners, and provisions of alcohol or hand sanitizers.

SECTION 4. PUBLIC HEALTH

- a. Visitors, residents, and OFWs from Metro Manila, other provinces, and abroad who recently arrived in the City are directed to impose self-quarantine for fourteen (14) days in their respective homes and to avail medical assistance immediately if symptoms of COVID-19 infection is suspected.
- b. In view of the expected influx of people coming home to the provinces due to the community quarantine imposed in Metro Manila, Barangay Officials and their respective Barangay Health Emergency Response Teams (BHERTs) are ordered to monitor their constituents who came from Metro Manila for possible contractions of COVID-19.
- c. Bus companies and other means of public transport are required to implement safety measures in terminals and vehicles, including the provision of alcohols or hand sanitizers and usage of thermal scanners upon entry. Passengers with above normal body temperatures and exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 contraction may be denied entry to the public transport. Such passengers shall be referred to the nearest medical centers for diagnosis and treatment.



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SECTION 5. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION.

- a. The general public is advised to refrain from sharing any unverified Covid-19 reports and information that constitute fake news in all social media platforms that may cause panic and confusion. All official local Covid-19 reports and information shall be disseminated to the academe, all members of media, and the public through the City Public Information Office and social media.
- b. The public is enjoined to report suspected COVID-19 infection. Hotline of the CDRRMO and CHO (CHO: 0951-7358373; CDRRMO: (075) 540-0363) are open 24-hour basis. However, authors of prank or malicious reports shall be dealt with legally.
- c. The City Health Office (CHO), City Epidemiologic Surveillance Unit (CESU), City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (CDRRMO), Barangay Officials, and the Philippine National Police (PNP) – Dagupan City Station are hereby directed to carry out the intent of this Executive Order.

SECTION 6

- a. Imposition of stricter measures, not limited to, curfews and community quarantine may be implemented should the situation escalate.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. This order shall take effect immediately upon signing hereof and remain valid and enforced until revoked.

Done this 13th day of March, 2020, Dagupan City



MARC BRIAN C. LIM
City Mayor